Notice No. 196, *dated* 26*th July* 1913.

The Municipal Council, Bangalore City, having at their meeting held on the 28th June 1913, approved the undermentioned Draft Rules framed under Section 4 of the Mysore Public Conveyance Regulation, No. VII of 1911, in supersession of the existing Hackney Carriage Rules, they are hereby published for general information.

Objections or suggestions in respect thereof received in writing within one month from the date of publication of this notice will be considered by the Council.

DRAFT RULES UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE MYSORE PUBLIC CONVEYANCE REGULATION, No. VII OF 1911.

No person shall keep for hire any public conveyance within the limits of the City of Bangalore except under a license granted in that behalf under these rules by the President or Vice-President of the Municipality. Nor shall any person offer or ply for hire any public conveyance within such limits except under a license granted under these rules or under the Hackney Carriage Regulation as in force in the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

2. The various classes of public conveyances and the license fee per official year, or part thereof for keeping, offering or plying for hire a public conveyance shall be as prescribed below :—

Class	Description	License fee		
		Rs.	a.	p.
I (*a*)	Every four wheeled rubber tyred carriage drawn by a pair of horses or ponies.	24	0	0
(*b*)	Do without rubber tyres ...	18	0	0
II (*a*)	(1) Every four wheeled rubber tyred carriage drawn by a single horse or pony, (2) or every two wheeled rubber tyred carriage drawn by a pair of horses or ponies.	12	0	0
(*b*)	Do without rubber tyres ...	9	0	0
III (*a*)	Every two wheeled carriage such as a jatka, bandy or cart drawn by a single horse or pony or by a pair of bullocks.	4	0	0
(*b*)	Every two wheeled carriage or cart drawn by a single bullock.	3	0	0
IV	Every motar car	30	0	0
V	Every motar bicycle or tricycle ...	15	0	0
VI	Every bicycle or tricycle	3	0	0
VII	Every rickshaw or other cart drawn by men.	2	0	0

3. (1) The above fee is for a whole turnout, *i. e.*, it includes the fee on the animal or animals used, if any, with the public conveyance. But where any extra animal is maintained by the owner of a public conveyance for use with such conveyance it shall not be used with any public conveyance unless license is obtained for it on payment of the following fee :—

(*a*) For each extra horse of or over fourteen hands, Rs. 4 annually.

(*b*) Do less than fourteen hands, Rs. 2 annually.

(*c*) For each extra bullock, Re. 1 annually.

(2) Similarly extra public conveyances maintained by the owner shall be licensed on payment of the following annual fee:—

				Rs.
(*a*)	For each	I (*a*)	class conveyance ...	16
(*b*)	Do	I (*b*)	do ...	10
(*c*)	Do	II (*a*)	do ...	8
(*d*)	Do	II (*b*)	do ...	5
(*e*)	Do	III	do ...	2

4. A license for a public conveyance will be refused if the following conditions are not complied with:—

(*a*) That the conveyance to be licensed is in good order and repair in all its parts and that it is decent looking.

(*b*) That it is provided with sufficiently bright lamps, namely 3, in the case of a motor, one in the case of a bicyle, tricycle, a bullock cart or a hand cart, and two in the case of other conveyances including a motor bicycle with a side car.

(*c*) That no horse or pony under three years of age or below 11·3 hands or a bull under two years of age is worked.

(*d*) That every horse or pony is in good condition and thoroughly broken to harness.

(*e*) That the harness is complete and serviceable.

(*f*) That the premises to be licensed are suitable and unobjectionable from a sanitary point.

5. Every license issued for a public conveyance shall be liable to be cancelled when any of the conditions referred to in the last rule are not attended to by the owner of such conveyance. It is the duty of every such owner to examine his conveyance every now and then and to maintain it in thorough order and repair while plying such conveyance for hire.

6. Every owner of a public conveyance shall on obtaining a license therefor affix to the premises where such conveyance and the animals, if any, are kept a board on which shall be painted in bold letters in English or Kanarese his name and license number.

7. Such premises shall be kept neat and tidy and shall be open at all reasonable hours for inspection by the Municipal Authorities. If such premises are not approved by the President or Vice-President of the Municipality on sanitary grounds, the licensee shall procure proper premises for his conveyanc within a week from the date of service of a notice in this behalf.

8. The licensee shall give notice to the Municipality of any change in the premises shown in his license within a week of such change.

9. Every license shall bear a serial number and that number shall be painted in a conspicuous place in English on the public conveyance. It shall be in the discretion of the President or Vice-President to allow any public conveyance of a superior description to ply without bearing a number.

Any number marked on a conveyance which has become indistinct by use will be repainted free of cost.

10. The examination of a public conveyance and its numbering shall be done at the Municipal Office and no cost shall be recovered therefor. A register for each class of conveyance licensed shall be maintained at the Municipal Office.

11. Any owner of a public conveyance may transfer the same to another person securing an endorsement on his license from the President or Vice-President for such transfer.

DRIVERS' LICENSES.

12. (*a*) No owner of a public conveyance shall allow the same to be driven by any person other than a licensed driver.

(*b*) No person shall act as driver of a public conveyance excepting bicycles and tricycles without obtaining a driver's license under these rules or under Hackney Carriage Regulation as in force in the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

(*c*) No person who is not licensed under these rules shall act as driver of a public conveyance licensed under these rules.

13. A driver's badge shall be supplied to every licensed driver at the cost price, and it shall be returned to the Municipality on the expiry of the period of such license and the cost price paid shall be refunded.

14. Such badge shall be worn by the driver while driving as stated below:—

(*a*) By the driver of a I or II class conveyance on his waist belt which shall be 4 inches wide and shall be worn on his long coat.

(*b*) By the driver of a III or VII class conveyance on his right arm.

(*c*) By the driver of a Motor Car or IV Class conveyance on his head dress.

15. All drivers shall be sufficiently experienced and shall be of the male sex. No person who is below the age of 18 years shall be licensed to be a driver.

16. A driver's license shall not be transferable.

17. A driver shall observe the rule of the road as per law in force for the time being. He shall not drive without lighting his lamps after sunset and before sunrise. He shall stand in a line with his conveyance when at a stand. He shall not take up possession on any stand which already contains the full complement of public conveyances authorised for such stand. He shall not wait or loiter on public roads for hire or cause any obstruction to traffic or pedestrians on such roads. He shall use a whip while driving a conveyance drawn by animals. Sticks or leather straps are not allowed to be used by the drivers of such conveyances.

18. The owner or driver of a public conveyance waiting on a public stand or plying for hire shall at any time of the day or night be bound to give such public conveyance on hire to any person demanding the same unless for a good and sufficient reason the burden of proving which shall lie on such owner or driver.

But he shall not be bound to carry in his public conveyance any person suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. He shall not use any conveyance used for carrying any person suffering from any contagious or infectious disease without previously disinfecting it.

19. Every license for a public conveyance and every license for a driver shall continue to be in force during the official year in which it was issued unless it is revoked or suspended earlier for any breach of these rules.

MISCELLANEOUS.

20. The municipality shall from time to time appoint places as stands for public conveyances. The following are the stands appointed at present for public conveyances drawn by animals:—

1. The City Railway Station, stand for 50 conveyances.
2. The City Vegetable Market, stand for 64 conveyances.
3. The Nagarthpet stand, for 14 conveyances.
4. The Balepet Chouk stand, for 12 conveyances.

21. All reasonable directions of the Police shall be obeyed by every driver whether he is on the stand or on the public road thoroughfare or place of public resort.

22. The fares for public conveyances of the classes IV, V, VI and VII shall be as may be settled at the commencement of hiring. In the case of conveyances drawn by horses, ponies, or bullocks the following rates by time and distance shall be fixed.

FARES BY TIME.

Class of vehicles	For 1 hour or less	For every additional hour or part of an hour before midnight	For every additional hour or part of an hour after midnight	Maximum for 12 hours from 5 A.M. to midnight	Maximum for period exceeding 12 hours
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
I (*a*) ...	2 0 0	0 12 0	1 0 0	7 0 0	9 0 0
(*b*) ...	2 0 0	0 8 0	0 12 0	6 0 0	8 0 0
II (*a*) ...	1 0 0	0 6 0	0 8 0	3 8 0	5 0 0
(*b*) ...	1 0 0	0 4 0	0 6 0	3 0 0	4 0 0
III (*a*) ...	0 6 0	0 3 0	0 4 0	2 0 0	2 8 0
(*b*) ...	0 4 0	0 2 0	0 3 0	1 8 0	2 0 0

FARES BY DISTANCE.

	I (*a*)	I (*b*)	II (*a*)	II (*b*)
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
For 3 miles and under ...	2 0 0	1 8 0	1 0 0	0 12 0
For every additional mile or portion thereon.	0 8 0	0 6 0	0 4 0	0 3 0

In the case of III class carriages, the fare shall be limited to 2 annas per mile or a portion of a mile.

23. The minimum speed at which a carriage of the I and II class hired by time shall be driven is 6 miles an hour, a carriage of III class if drawn by a horse or pony at 5 miles an hour and a bullock carriage at 3 miles an hour.

24. The above fares are to be paid according to time unless, at the commencement of hiring, the hirer expresses his intention to pay according to distance.

Any contract entered into to accept a fare lower than the fare above fixed shall be binding. But no fare higher than that prescribed in Rule 22 shall be demanded.

25. The maximum number of persons to be carried by each public conveyance shall be as follows:—

(1) By a motor.	As many as there are seats.
(2) By a bicycle or tricycle.	One.
(3) By a motor bicycle with a side car.	Two including the driver.
(4) By a four-wheeled carriage drawn by an animal or animals.	Six including the driver.
(5) By a two-wheeled carriage drawn by an animal or animals.	Five including the driver.

Note.—Two children under ten years of age will be counted as one adult person.

26. The maximum load of luggage only or of luggage and passenger which may be carried by each description of carriage shall be as follows:—

By a carriage drawn by two horses ...	50 maunds or 1260 lbs.
By a carriage drawn by one horse or two bullocks.	8 maunds or 672 lbs.

By a carriage drawn by a horse or pony under 14 hands or by a bullock.	6 maunds or 504 lbs.

When passengers or luggage are carried, each adult person shall be considered as weighing 1½ maunds or 126 lbs. and each child under ten years of age as weighing three quarters of a maund or 63 lbs.

27. Every public conveyance of I, II and III class shall have in it a list of the fares prescribed by these rules.

Such list shall be printed in English, Kanarese and Urdu and a copy shall be given with the license free of cost.

All such lists lost, defaced or destroyed shall at once be replaced by the licensee on obtaining it on payment at the Municipal Office at half anna each.

28. All applications for renewal of licenses under these rules shall be made one month before the close of the official year.

29. Any driver who cruelly beats, illtreats, over-drives or otherwise misuses any horse or pony driven in a public conveyance shall be liable to forfeiture of his license in addition to any other punishment to which he may be liable under any law for the time being in force.

30. Property left by the hirer in any public conveyance shall be deposited at the nearest Police Station as soon as it is found by the owner or driver of such conveyance.

31. It shall be lawful for the President or Vice-President or any other officer that may be appointed by them in this behalf and officers of S. P. C. A., and Inspectors of Police at any time between sunrise and sunset to enter any premises on which licensed vehicles, animals, harness and other things used therewith are kept in order to carry out any provisions of these rules, and the owner or his agent shall afford every facility for inspection.

32. Licenses under these rules shall be granted by the President or Vice-President and they shall be in the Forms A and B appended to these rules and subject to the conditions therein specified.

33. Owners and drivers of public conveyances shall be bound to produce for inspection their licenses when called on to do so by the President, Vice-President, Collector of Taxes, Veterinary Inspector, Hackney Carriage Inspector, any Police Officer or S. P. C. A. Officer. They shall also be bound to produce for inspection, when required to do so by the President or Vice-President, any licensed public conveyance.

34. Any owner or driver of a public conveyance who is found to have been guilty of any breach of these rules or of the conditions of his license shall be liable to punishment under Section 8 of the Public Conveyance Regulation, No. VII of 1911.

35. All prosecutions for breach of these rules may be instituted by any hirer of a public conveyance, a Police officer or any other officer appointed by the President or Vice-President in this behalf.

K. P. PUTTANNA CHETTY,
Honorary President.

FORM A.

OWNER'S LICENSE.

Public Conveyance License No.....

Class.....

By virtue of the powers vested in me by the Mysore Public Conveyance Regulation, No. VII of 1911, and the Rules under Section 4 of the same, I grant to you.....

of..... .....this license to keep at your premises at.... .....and to let for hire the numbered .....as described below from the date hereof till the 30th June 19... and subject to the following conditions :—

1st. That it shall be drawn by.....

2nd. That it shall carry such number of passengers not exceeding.....as may be required, and shall also carry free of charge a reasonable quantity of luggage.

3rd. That it shall ply for hire in Bangalore City.

4th. That it shall be produced for inspection at such place and time as may be directed by me.

5th. That in the event of its being damaged, you may, with my previous sanction in writing, use temporarily another conveyance to which this license number shall be transferred free of charge.

6th. That you shall keep it, together with the horse (*s*) and harness used therewith, in proper and serviceable condition.

7th. That as often as you change your residence or the premises in which you keep this carriage, you shall give me notice thereof in writing within one week of such change, submitting at the same time license for the necessary alteration.

8th. That you shall affix in the conveyance a list of fares in English, Kanarese and Hindustani and do not demand a higher fare than that mentioned in the said list. Any contract entered into to accept a fare lower than that fixed by rules shall be binding on you.

9th. That this license shall not be transferred to any other person without my written sanction.

10th. That this license shall be liable to suspension or revocation for any breach of the above conditions or of Public Conveyance Rules or misconduct.

Description of the conveyance.....

Description of the animals and harness, if any.....

Given under my hand and seal this.....day of.....

President, Municipal Council,
Bangalore City.

FORM B.

DRIVER'S LICENSE NO.....

By virtue of the powers vested in me by the Mysore Public Conveyance Regulation, No. VII of 1911, and the Rules under Section 4 of the same, I grant to you..... of.....this license to ply for hire and pursue the occupation of driver in the service of Public Conveyance owner.... .....in any part of the Bangalore City from the date hereof till the 30th June 191 , on the conditions hereunder written :—

1st. That you shall constantly, when engaged in the said occupation, wear conspicuously on such part of your person as prescribed in the rules in force a metal badge numbered as above.

2nd. That you shall at all times, when engaged in your said occupation, have with you this license and shall produce the same when required by any

passenger, Police Officer on duty or any person employed by the Public Conveyance Department.

3rd. That you shall, when engaged for hire, drive the conveyance in your charge to any place within the Municipal limits of the Bangalore City to which you may be required by the hirer thereof to drive.

4th. That you shall not, when engaged for hire, leave this conveyance without the permission of the hirer or wilfully desert from such hiring before being discharged by the hirer.

5th. That you shall affix in the conveyance a list of fares in English, Kanarese and Hindustani and do not demand a higher fare than that mentioned in the said list. Any contract entered into to accept a fare lower than that fixed by rules shall be binding on you.

6th. That this license shall be liable to suspension or revocation for any breach of the above conditions or of Public Conveyance Rules or misconduct.

7th. That this license or its accompanying badge be not transferred to any other person except at the request of the owner of this carriage and with my written sanction.

Given under my hand and seal this.....

day of.....

President, Municipal Council,
Bangalore City.

PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD AT THE OFFICE PREMISES AT 8 A.M., ON MONDAY, THE 21ST JULY 1913.

Dewan Bahadur Rajasabhabhushana K. P. Puttanna Chetty, Esq., *Honorary President*—Present.

B. S. Ranoji Rao, Esq., B.A., *Vice-President*—Present.

Ex-officio Members.

Absent—The Executive Engineer, Bangalore Division.

Absent—A. K. Pani, Esq., L.M.S., D.P.H., etc., Health Officer, Bangalore City.
Do —The Amildar, Bangalore Taluk.

Municipal Councillors.

I—Palace Division.
Absent—Revd. D. A. Rees.
Do —K. H. Ramaiya, Esq., B.A.

II—Bale Pete Division.
Present—D. B. Ramachandra Mudaliar, Esq.
Do —G. Rajappa, Esq.
Do —B. Chinnasami Setty, Esq.

III—Manavarte Pete Division.
Present—B. K. Garudachar, Esq.
Do —S. N. Subba Rao, Esq.
Do —H. K. Virabasavaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L.

IV—Alsur Pete Division.
Present—D. Adeppa, Esq.
Do —G. Siddavirappa, Esq.

V—Nagarth Pete Division.
Present—B. V. Ramaswami Chetty, Esq., B.A.
Do —B. Usman Khan, Esq.

VI—Lal-Bagh Division.
Present—M. Subbaiya, Esq., B.A.
Do —B. Abdur Rahmon, Esq., B.A.

VII—Fort Division.
Present—H. Ramaiya, Esq.
Absent—B. Hanumappa, Esq.

VIII—Basavangudi Division.
Absent—S. Ramachandrasami, Esq., B.A.

IX—Malleswaram Division.
Present—D. Venkataramaiya, Esq., B.A.
Do —S. Venkatarangiengar, Esq.

1. Written request, dated the 16th July 1913, from sixteen Councillors of the Bangalore City Municipality, proposing to call a Special Meeting to consider how the transfer of the present Health Officer Dr. A. K. Pani from the City would affect the interests of the City and to make such representations to Government as may be deemed necessary.

Resolution.—Resolved that the matter be left to the President.

K. P. PUTTANNA CHETTY,
Honorary President.